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Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application entitled:

Image Forming Apparatus, Image Forming System, and Image Forming Method, Program and Recording Medium

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☐ Small entity status is claimed.

Also enclosed are:

DRAWINGS: 7 sheets of formal drawings \_\_\_\_\_ sheets of informal drawings

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☒ An Information Disclosure Statement.

☒ An Application Data Sheet (ADS).

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	No. of Claims		Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Basic Application Fee (1001)					\$ 770.00
Total Claims	17	MINUS 20 =	0	x \$18.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	5	MINUS 3 =	2	x \$86.00 (1201) =	\$ 172.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)					\$ 0.00
Total Application Fee					\$ 942.00
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